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1. In [] 1953, excavation and grading work was being done on a runway, about 80 meters wide, at Jocksdorf airfield. The strip extended from the Jocksdorf-Gosda road toward the northeast as far as the Gross Schacksdorf - Preschen road, slightly south of triangulation point 93.6. There, the excavated strip was about 1.4 meters deep and the removed earth was piled up on the southeastern edge of the clearing. Clearing was under way in the extension of the runway east of the Gross Schacksdorf - Preschen road. [] determines whether the runway would be extended beyond this road or whether a flying lane was to be established there. The Gross Schacksdorf - Preschen road was still blocked in late August 1953. In early October, about half of the runway was concreted.
2. The paved road leading from Gross Schacksdorf estate toward Gosda in a southerly direction was used as approach road to the construction site. This road had been enlarged and was serviceable for all types of vehicles. A standard-gauge spur track branched off from the Forst-Weisswasser railroad line south of Summersdorf, extended to the southeast, and then ran parallel to the aforementioned approach road as far as the billeting area near Jocksdorf.
3. A vacant factory west of Summersdorf has been used as cement dump for some time. The cement was transported by rail to the airfield.
4. In [] concrete poles for a wire fence were erected in the wooded area southeast of Jocksdorf. The fence around the airfield was completed by early October, except for some gaps which were kept open for shipping away the timber. The convicts camp at the southwestern corner of the clearing was still in existence.
5. [] surveying work at the field was done by the Bauunion Brandenburg which originally was to carry out the construction work too. However, because of too much work, the contract was given to the Bauunion Sued, with construction superintendent Horn (fnu) who formerly had been employed in Zerbst and Wetzow. A concrete runway was to be built and the construction of shrapnelproof installations was planned, but work on the latter installation

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had not yet started by early []

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6. On [] work was being done on the runway, the east end of which was about 200 meters from the Preschen - Gross Schacksdorf road. The concrete mixing installation was in operation and was served with gravel on a narrow-gauge field railway. North of the runway and approximately northwest of the concrete mixing installation was a new three-story building, 60 to 80 meters long, with a towerlike superstructure at its western end. Two low wooden buildings were west-southwest of this building, on either side of the extended approach road from Gross Schacksdorf. The construction site was apparently surrounded by a barbed wire fence. No sentries were observed at the approach road leading from Gross Schacksdorf to the construction site. The spur track extended west of this approach road.

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Comment. The information on construction work at Jockelarf airfield indicates the course of the runway. The landmarks mentioned are entered on Map 5808 4214, sheet 4253. The runway is about 2,750 meters long and probably 80 meters wide instead of the previously reported 65 meters. Completion of the runway has been delayed. Clearing work on the eastern extension was done for a flying lane. The new building [] will most likely house the flight control station, the meteorological station and other air traffic control installations.

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